



# CFC Newsletter

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## Save the Date:

CFC Board Meeting  
Friday, Nov. 3, 2006  
1:30 – 3:30  
Screen Actors Guild  
5757 Wilshire Blvd.

### **CALIFORNIA ON LOCATION AWARDS**

The FLICS are again hosting the annual California On Locations Awards, back for its 12<sup>th</sup> year. The COLAs, as it is popularly known, honor entertainment location managers and production companies for their professionalism while working on location throughout the state. This year's ceremony will be held on October 15 from 3:00pm – 7:00pm at the Los Angeles Marriott Hotel. This is our opportunity to recognize the enormous accomplishments and dedication of location managers working in California. The event is attended by more than 400 producers, studio and union executives, location managers/scouts, elected officials, and film commissioners.

For more information, please contact: [sheridavis@filminlandempire.com](mailto:sheridavis@filminlandempire.com).

### **CFC's NEW DEPUTY DIRECTOR**

We are very pleased to announce that Governor Schwarzenegger has appointed Jim Fitzpatrick as Deputy Director of the California Film Commission. Many of you may know Jim from his position as Director of Government and Production Affairs at the MPAA where he has worked for the past 8 years. In addition to his extensive film production background as an Assistant Director and a Location Manager, Jim has been responsible for monitoring and handling regulatory and jurisdictional issues on the federal, state, and local levels on all issues that might affect the motion picture industry. Jim will be starting at the CFC on Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **FIRE SEASON UPDATE**

The "Day" fire in Los Padres National Forest in Ventura County is almost fully contained. This fire which started on Labor Day has burned 140,000 acres. Another fire in the Shasta / Trinity County National Forest has burned 100,000 acres and is 43% contained. Red Flag alerts have been issued throughout the state over the past month and we are now entering the period for Santa Ana wind conditions. Since fire conditions change rapidly, filmmakers must remember to contact the CFC directly in order to determine current fire conditions and the availability of Fire Safety Officers and CHP Officers to monitor their filming activities. To view current fire information please go to: [www.fire.ca.gov](http://www.fire.ca.gov)

### **CFC QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING UPDATE**

The next CFC Board meeting is scheduled for November 3rd at 1:30 and will be held at the Screen Actors Guild, located at 5757 Wilshire Blvd. (East of Fairfax). Meetings will be held in the James Cagney conference room.

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### **NEW OR IMPROVED FILM LOCATIONS**

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) acquired **Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook** in 2000, and is in the process of creating a much-needed open space plan for this 58-acre site. The Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook offers sweeping panoramic vistas from the San Gabriel Mountains to Catalina Island, most of the Santa Monica Mountains and the Los Angeles Basin, and all of Santa Monica Bay from Point Dume to the Palos Verdes Peninsula. The park includes large areas of coastal sage habitat, picnic sites, a fishing lake, community center, trails, as well as playgrounds, basketball courts, volleyball, and lighted baseball diamonds. For information about filming contact David Booth at [dbooth@film.ca.gov](mailto:dbooth@film.ca.gov). Visit this link for photo and maps: [www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page\\_id=22790](http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=22790)

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### **NEWS ARTICLES**

9/18/06 - LA Daily News - Santa Clarita a lure for films  
9/20/06 - Hollywood Reporter - locations - New Mexico  
9/21/06 - Conn. - Star power gets brighter  
9/26/06 - HR - Schwarzenegger - Future of entertainment  
9/27/06 - Daily Journal - Lawyers help filmmakers tap U.S. prod subsidies  
9/28/06 - Variety - Louisiana lift for films